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In re Application of  
Gorringe et al  
Application No. 09/763,750  
371 Filed: June 4, 2001  
Attorney Docket No. 1581.078000/RWE

: DECISION GRANTING PETITION  
: TO RESET PERIOD FOR REPLY

This is a decision on the petition filed on February 7, 2002, requesting that the shortened statutory period for reply set forth in the Office communication mailed on December 4, 2001 be reset to run from the date on which the Office communication was actually received at the correspondence address of record.

The petition is granted.

Petitioner provided a statement that the Office communication in question was received at the correspondence address of record on January 29, 2002. The petition was filed within two weeks of receipt of the Office communication. A substantial portion of the set reply period had elapsed on the date of receipt. Furthermore, the Office communication was mailed between October 13, 2001 and January 2, 2002, when delivery of mail from the Office to certain regions of the country was delayed.

Accordingly, the shortened statutory period that was originally set forth in the Office communication originally mailed on December 4, 2001 is hereby reset to run FROM THE RECEIPT DATE OF January 29, 2002.

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